

**P-20 Council  
Steering Committee Meeting  
July 11, 2007-2:00 p.m.  
Meeting Notes**

**Location:** 1700 W. Washington, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Room A, Phoenix, AZ

**P20 Members Present:** Dr. Rufus Glasper, Kristen Rex, Dr. Karen Nicodemus (telephonic), and Paul Luna,

**Staff and Guests:** Darcy Renfro, Lauren Kielsmeier, Erin Hart, Debra Raeder, Claire Parriott, and Dr. Cheri St. Arnauld

**1. Call to Order and Welcome**

Dr. Glasper called the meeting to order at 2:10 pm. It was noted that Dr. Karen Nicodemus was attending telephonically.

**2. Update/Discussion**

Staff provided a draft matrix and general timeline of the work generated by the P-20 Council and the Governor's education initiatives for P-20 policy for review and discussion by the Committee.

**3. Review/Discussion**

- a. Staff discussed the recommendation for a new P-20 committee, Credits Count. The Credits Count committee will be focused on the alignment of transfer credits between high school, community college, and university. Staff will pursue identifying a Chair for this Committee. Staff also discussed staffing for the various Committees. Erin Hart will now staff the Education Workforce Pathways Committee, the Teachers Committee, and the new Credits Count Committee. Debra Raeder will continue to staff the Steering Committee, the Education Alignment Committee, the Communications Committee, the Data, Assessment and Graduation Committee and the Adolescent Literacy Committee.
- b. **Communications Committee:** Paul Luna indicated that the next Communications meeting has been postponed as he continues to work with staff to develop a plan of action for the Committee, education and foundation supporters regarding the development of a communications plan.
- c. **Education Alignment Committee:** Staff announced that the Alignment Team will be participating in the second Alignment Institute in Minneapolis at the end of the month. The Alignment Team has submitted recommendations regarding Arizona's mathematics standards to Achieve Inc., for the first quality review. Staff also reported that the Higher Education Demand and Feasibility study will be ready in a few weeks, and that regional meetings are taking place around the state this week to discuss the data that will form the basis of the report.
- d. **Education Workforce Pathways Committee:** Staff reported that the Committee will be pursuing the issue of CTE credit transfer and acceptance at universities, per the discussion with ABOR on June 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- e. **Teachers Committee:** Staff reported the TQS Final Report will be presented to the full Council for approval in October. Staff also reported that the final results of the Teacher Working Conditions Survey will be available in August.
- f. **Adolescent Literacy Committee:** Kristin Rex reported that Committee will be working with GOCYF to distribute a "toolkit" to 4<sup>th</sup> grade teachers regarding literacy councils. Data collected at the literacy forums is the impetus for this toolkit.

- g. **Data, Assessment & Graduation Committee:** Staff met with ADE regarding their recent grant award of \$6 million to develop a data warehouse for Arizona. ADE staff indicated that the grant proposal will provide the capabilities to meet the 10 elements of a longitudinal data system. Staff is proceeding with the work necessary for Arizona to participate with nine other states in testing the Algebra II end of course assessment, at directed by the Council at the June 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting.
  - h. **Steering Committee:** Staff is pursuing ways for the Council to be engaged in a proactive legislative agenda for 2008.
4. **Next Steps**  
Staff is currently reviewing and updating the Council Executive Order and membership and does not anticipate any major changes at this time.
5. **Call to the Public**  
There were no requests from the public to address the Committee.
6. **Adjournment**  
There being no further business or discussion, the meeting was adjourned by Dr. Rufus Glasper at 3:30 pm.